

# Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor  
Alex. H. Washburn

## Nice Tribute

### and Words of Candor and Truth

Governor Sid McMath was the guest of honor at a luncheon in New York yesterday given by the Chase National bank, world's largest, of which a couple other Arkansians, Arthur W. McCain and Roland Irvine, are vice-presidents.

It was a strategic point from which a speaker might say something for Arkansas that all the world would hear — and Governor McMath did that thing.

He said that Arkansas' great natural resources are finally being recognized and developed by new industry.

That the state this year has an average per-family income of \$3,500.

That it is the third state in the South in total farm income.

And — in direct quotes:

"The State of Arkansas is in sound financial condition. Its high-way bonds sold at only 2 1/2 per cent interest rate, income from gasoline tax during the first 11 months of 1949 totaled \$19,982,534 as compared with \$18,164,078 for the same period of 1948; and sales tax \$20,866,124 as against \$18,994,416."

And then the governor went on to say about government as a whole:

"Deficit spending is bad business. There is a double prevention of deficit spending in Arkansas — a state revenue act and a provision of the state constitution, each providing that the state may not spend in any fiscal year more than it receives in revenues."

That paragraph is a strikingly plain and simple piece of language in these complex days — and it is obvious that the New York bankers must have wondered why, even as you and I, about a single Southern state discovering a formula for solvent government that has completely escaped the ponderous Federalists in the islanded skyscrapers of the parkways of Washington.

## Santa Writes to Boys, Girls of Hope

I received a letter from Santa Claus early this morning. He told me to be sure to let the boys and girls of Hope, Arkansas, read it. The following is the letter from Santa:

Dear Boys and Girls of Hope: I have been so busy since my short visit in Hope, Thursday, December 1, but I have finally found time to write you a letter. I want you to give Miss Merry Christmas your love. I will be back to my work now, but I will keep your letter with Miss Merry Christmas about you. Good bye now.

Santa Claus Isn't it grand to receive a letter from Santa Claus as busy as he is, and looking forward to seeing all of you on my visits downtown every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday afternoons, and on Saturday mornings. Mail your Santa Claus letters to me, and I will read them over the radio every Tuesday and Thursday at 6 p.m. After reading them, I will forward them to Santa Claus.

Miss Merry Christmas

## Playboy Is Narcotics Ring Leader

New York, Dec. 9 — (UP) — A suave, mustached Broadway playboy was jailed today charged with being the ringleader of a multimillion dollar narcotics ring.

Angelo Ortiz, 27, was arrested by detectives last night who said they had trailed him for seven weeks as he nightclubbed in bright spots along the Great White Way. They said he offered them a \$25,000 bribe to let him go when they finally closed in.

Detectives said Ortiz led them to more than half a million dollars worth of marijuana and cocaine which he had hidden in his apartment and in a Bronx store-room.

Also arrested with Ortiz were wife Rose, 21, Joseph Rodriguez, 40, and Ida Zayas, 26. Ortiz was charged with possession and sale of narcotics and Zayas and Rodriguez were charged with possession of drugs.

Police said Ortiz began his operations last March after a series of raids broke up a \$3,500,000 drug ring which also had operated along Broadway. Three men were arrested at that time.

The arresting detectives, John Cotrone and George Zegers, said they found more than 1,000 marijuana cigarettes on Ortiz' person. They took him to his West Side apartment where they said they found some \$800 in bills tucked in shoes in his clothes closet.

Cotrone said Ortiz pretended to be open to a bribe and that Ortiz then offered to lead them to his mail storehouse where he had more cash with which to pay them off.

## WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas: Cloudy with rain this afternoon, tonight, Saturday. Not quite so cold tonight, Saturday.

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## McMath Cites Hope as Example of Progress

New York, Dec. 9 — (AP) — Governor McMath of Arkansas sees no need for increases in his state's taxes.

He told a group of New York bankers yesterday that Arkansas revenue is growing without higher tax rates.

"The state of Arkansas is in sound financial condition," he declared. "x x x Income from gasoline tax during the first eleven months of 1949 totaled \$19,982,534 as compared with \$18,164,078 for the same period of 1948; and sales tax, \$20,866,124 as against \$18,994,416; and income tax, \$11,690,987 as against \$792,102."

Therefore, he said, he could see no reason for the next legislature to increase tax rates.

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"This community has adequate utility sources available in forms of water, electricity and natural gas," the governor said. "Transportation facilities include an airfield able to accommodate any means of air transportation, and three railroad lines — the Missouri Pacific, the Kansas City Southern and the Frisco."

## Donations to Scout Campaign

Scout Finance Captain Milton Dillard was the first Finance Drive Chairman to turn in an almost complete report for the 25 prospect cards assigned to his team. His assistants are Herbert Burns, Fred Rees, and Howard Byers, and Doyle Reeves.

Captain A. S. Willis' team workers are Roy Taylor, Hugh Reese, Brock Schenk, and Frank Douglas. The following additional sums have been turned in at the Finance office:

Previously Reported	\$93.00
Lloyd Kinard	5.00
Shields Food Store	2.00
Opal Daniel	6.00
Myers Drug Store	12.50
Billard Nix	5.00
C. Greenberg	12.00
Hitt's Shoe Store	12.50
Green-Lindsey	2.00
Routon & Co.	2.50
Mr. & Mrs. Roy Yarberry	1.00
Milton Dillard	2.00
Que-McAdams	1.00
Scott Store	10.00
Ward & Son	12.50
Herbert Burns	10.00
Rephan's Store	12.00
Fred Robertson	2.00
Mrs. E. R. Moore	1.00
Mr. & Mrs. Ira Youcum	1.00
James W. Morrow	1.00
J. D. Chesshire	1.00
Howard Tibbitts	1.00
Ed Bonds	1.00
Tom Mayman	5.00
B. C. Lewis	5.00
Newt Bundy	5.00
Ben Hill	1.00
Frank Anderson	1.00
V. Johnson	1.00
Norman Moore	12.00
Ira Phillips	1.00
Jewel Shields	1.00
Schley Carter	1.00
J. W. Frith	1.00
C. S. Henke	1.00
C. H. Henke	1.00
Cleve Mayton	1.00
G. G. Tittle	1.00
Oliver Jackson	1.00
Floyd Pharis	1.00
Lee H. Huskey	1.00
Virgil Cleveland	1.00
Thompson Impson	1.00
A. Irvin	1.00
A. W. Huckabee	1.00
Loyce Evans	1.00
E. L. Pugh	1.00
E. M. Turner	1.00
Vance Marcum	1.00
W. E. Fagan	1.00
Jay Roberts	1.00
E. Kinard	1.00
Lloyd Haynie	1.00
Sid Flowers	1.00
Homier Hill	12.00
Total	290.50

## Baptists Plan Christmas Music

The Baptist church senior choir will present Christmas music "The Chorus in the Skies," by Fred D. Holton, Sunday, December 18 at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited to this Cantata.

The church's Youth choir will hold a service of carols, testimonies and preaching Wednesday, December 21, at 7:15 p.m. The young people also a special invitation to all.

Harold Hightower, student at Southwestern Seminary, will bring the devotional.



—Photo by Shipley

MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS—Mary Alice Rogers, is busy these days taking over as representative for Santa Claus until he can return to Hope a couple of days before Christmas.

Santa's personal representative visits downtown Hope during the week taking orders from children of this section. She invites all youngsters who feel like seeing her downtown to write a letter which she will read over radio station, KXAR, nightly when Santa arrives shortly before Christmas, she will turn all the letters over to him.

## Thomas Gets 6-18 Months, \$10,000 Fine

Washington, Dec. 9 — (AP) — Rep. J. Parnell Thomas got six to 18 months in jail and a \$10,000 fine today for cheating the government by "padding" his office pay roll.

Immediately after the sentence was pronounced, Thomas' wife announced:

"I intend to seek the congressional seat about to be vacated by my husband."

Mrs. Thomas told reporters her husband's resignation is in the mails.

Thomas is 54. His wife is a little younger.

Federal Judge Alexander Holtzoff gave an ear-burning lecture to Thomas along with the jail term and the fine.

He told the little man who seven times was elected to the house as a Republican from New Jersey that he knew he had a good record in the First World War and had done "much good work" in congress as chairman of the house Un-American activities committee.

But, the judge said sternly: "These can't properly be considered mitigating circumstances."

In fact, he said, as chairman of a congressional committee, Thomas "had a duty to set an example of upright living."

Holtzoff concluded: "J. Parnell Thomas, it is the judgment of this court that you be imprisoned in an institution to be determined by the attorney general for a term of not less than six months and not more than 18 months, that you be fined \$10,000 and that you stand committed until the fine is paid."

Thomas' lawyer, William H. Collins, had pleaded with the judge not to punish the congressman by jail and fine.

Collins described Thomas as "broken in body and spirit."

Standing before Judge Holtzoff, Thomas did, indeed, seem to be a scrawny, emaciated man who once was the gavel-cracking chairman of the spy-hunting house Un-American activities committee.

Weakened by a long illness, his face was drawn and he had the look of a man exhausted by extreme weariness.

But Thomas took the sentence with no show of emotion or change of expression.

## Recommends Big Cut in Marshall Plan Spending

Washington, Dec. 9 — (UP) — Sen. Pat McCarran, (D. Nev.) just back from a three-month tour of Europe, today recommended a cut of almost \$3,000,000,000 in Marshall plan spending in the next two years.

McCarran, chairman of the special senate-house "watchdog" committee which oversees the recovery program, said a steady reduction in U. S. aid is necessary to prevent European nations from becoming so dependent upon the United States that they won't help themselves.

He proposed a cut of \$1,889,000,000 next year and of \$944,500,000 in the 1952 fiscal year.

Other senators returning from inspection tours in Europe also suggested a foreign aid spending cut, but on a more modest scale.

Three members of the appropriations committee — Sens. A. Willis Robertson, (D-Va.), John L. McClellan, (D-N.J.), and John C. Stennis, (D-Miss.), proposed a 1950 cut of about \$1,000,000,000. Sen. Burnet R. Maybank, (D-SC), another committee member, said the program should be reduced "marginally" but declined to set a figure.

A total of \$3,778,000,000 was appropriated for the Marshall plan in the current 1950 fiscal year. The comments of these senators produced fresh evidence that congress will be eager to trim the program's budget when it reconvenes next month.

But all of the touring senators agreed that the recovery plan has almost been abandoned. They were a little — if any — sentiment for dropping it altogether.

McCarran said of Europe in a statement that "the standard of living is far from satisfactory, and I am not sure that the general withdrawal of American aid at this time would result in chaos and a return to the conditions which existed throughout 1946 and 1947."

## Guernsey 4-H Club Names New Officers

The 4-H club called a meeting at Guernsey High school on December 6, and elected new officers. The meeting was called to order by the president, of last year, Hazel Daugherty. The officers were elected: Secretary, Hazel Daugherty; Treasurer, Hazel Daugherty; and the following students and club workers:

President, Catherine Powell.  
Vice president, Francis Collier.  
Secretary, Faydra Campbell.  
Reporter, Hazel Daugherty.  
After the election, cards were given out from which the numbers were to select the courses that they wished to participate in this year.

The meeting was then brought to a close, having accomplished its step forward in the work of the four H club.

KILLED AS TREE FALLS — Sixty-seven-year-old J. P. Bango, was chopped down a tree on his farm at nearby Freysville yesterday. The tree fell on top of him. Forty-five minutes later, Young died at York hospital.

## Dreams Can Be Pretty Dreary at Times But This One Seems to Be Strangest of All

By HAL BOYLE  
New York (AP) — Bongo came back the other night.

I didn't see him for a year. Quickly I put my pillow over my face and counted: "1—2—3—4—5—6—7—8—9—10." But when I looked down at my pillow, I found Bongo's face staring at me.

Bongo is a phosphorescent gorilla with searchlight eyes and teeth like translucent baseball bats. He opened a checkbook and looked at the board — he's got me cornered.

"I certainly wouldn't play checkers with a monkey that didn't observe the rules. Don't you have any pride?"

I am haunted by a fear that sometime I'll make a mistake and win a game. I don't think Bongo would like that. Once I had his last checker surrounded by three kings, and Bongo's fangs began to glow. I managed to drop the game.

Well, last night Bongo was late in arriving. It was almost morning when he came over and squatted on my bed. He spread open the board and said: "Play."

I looked at the board and saw in horror that he had brought a chess game instead of checkers. And I could tell that he didn't know the difference.

Suddenly I said my hand over and turned back the alarm clock. It shrieked, "brrr . . . rrr . . . rrr . . . rrr . . ."

Bongo flew into a rage. He began to growl and reached out to cuff me. But Frances began to awaken then and Bongo, with a final menacing growl, folded his game board under his arm and stomped out of the room.

And now, what's the matter with you?" asked Frances.

"Not a thing," I sighed. "Bongo was here, but he's gone now." And I got up and came to work. I'd rather die on my feet than play Bongo chess. There is no way even a sick man can be sure of losing at that game to a feeble-minded ape.

## Lawsuit Filed Against City; Right of Alderman to Serve Questioned in Complaint

## Truman Views Eisenhower as a Candidate

Key West, Fla., Dec. 9 — (AP) — Truman said today that President Truman regards General Dwight D. Eisenhower as an active candidate for the presidency.

They added that he regards Eisenhower's recent "hot dogs and beer" speech as part of the former chief of staff's buildup for the presidential nomination.

The President, they continued, will answer Eisenhower in his "state of the union" message to congress in January.

Charles G. Ross, the President's press secretary, said that speech will "fully expound the President's philosophies of government."

Ross would not even discuss recent speeches of Eisenhower, now president of Columbia university. Mr. Truman's long-time feeling of admiration for Eisenhower as an army man and a builder of morale was emphasized by those who are close to him.

But these same persons say the turned educator as strictly an amateur at politics.

President Truman's ex-soldier turned educator as strictly an amateur at politics.

Not even the closest day-to-day conferees of the President can say whether he will seek the nomination again in 1952. They are in agreement only in that they feel he has not made a decision and wants to avoid developments in the months ahead.

Most of them tell reporters that he has been more than a little concerned by Eisenhower's recent speeches, in which the general has appeared to line up with former Secretary of State James F. Byrnes in criticism of the Truman "fair deal."

The President, it was made clear here, said this was a "state of the union" message which will reiterate his demands for a "fair deal" program. It will emphasize the very proposals at which Eisenhower and Byrnes are directing their ammunition.

The President, it was disclosed, will renew his insistence upon passage of:

1. His civil rights program.
2. A liberalized displaced persons act.
3. A national health program.
4. Legislation expanding social security benefits.
5. The Brannan farm program.

These and other fair deal proposals have been the core of both Byrnes and Eisenhower.

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## \$1000 Loss When Fire Guts House

The home of Tink and Gertrude Tyree, North Oak Street in Oaklawn Addition was considerably damaged by fire early today and first estimates placed the loss at around \$1,000.

Firemen did a remarkable job in preventing a total loss of the home which was blazing furiously when they arrived. Origin of the fire was not determined.

## Cotton Price Aid Only for 'Cooperators'

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The announcement is based on a determination by Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan under terms of the Agricultural Act of 1949, Earl N. Martindale, chairman of the county PMA committee points out, and means that acreage allotments will be used to determine eligibility for price support in 1950 even if quotas were rejected by growers.

"If quotas are approved by growers in the December 15 referendum, 'cooperators' will be eligible for price support on their 1950 crop at 90 percent of the parity price next August 1," the chairman explains. The average 1949 loan rate in Hempstead county was 90 percent of the August 1, 1949 parity price — is 29.28 cents per pound.

"But if quotas are not approved in the referendum, the loan rate to 'cooperators' on their 1950 crop will be 50 percent of the parity price next August 1," says the chairman. Fifty per cent of the August 1, 1949 parity price is in Hempstead county is about 14.64 cents per pound. "Noncooperators will not be entitled to price support protection in either case."

In announcing the determination, PMA officials explain that the acreage allotment marketing quota program is intended to provide the requirements for cotton. Therefore, those growers who fail to justify are not entitled to price support.

If quotas are approved, these officials point out that the "non-cooperator" is required to pay the full penalty on his "farm marketing excess" before he can market any of his 1950 cotton crop.

## Marshall Plan Valuable Says McClellan

Washington, Dec. 9 — (AP) — An Arkansas senator who has much to say about this country's expenditures believes the Marshall plan has been a deterrent to the spread of communism and "we have gotten considerable value-out of it from that standpoint."

Senator McClellan, member of a senate appropriations subcommittee returning yesterday from a tour of Western Europe, said:

"I am not fully convinced that what we have done or may do in the future in the way of aid will prove a permanent barrier to communism we can only hope that the result will be that we win the cold war."

He also said he could see no reason why the United States should not resume full diplomatic and trade relations with Spain.

The senator said that Mrs. McClellan, who accompanied him abroad will return to Arkansas next Monday.

## Fear Phone Strike May Spread

St. Louis, Dec. 9 — (AP) — A local union official said that 200 telephone installers here, may spread to other cities in Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

Those are the states served by Southern Bell Telephone company, and a spokesman said the company's expansion program would be tied up if the strikes spread through the area.

The installers are employed by Western Electric company and are members of Local 70, CIO American Communications Equipment Workers' union.

J. H. Brashear, president of the local, said installers in the other cities probably will walk out if past union policy is followed.

The installers went on strike Wednesday. The union is not satisfied with a subsistence allowance of \$4.25 a day. Western Electric wants to pay workers for an installation job in Kansas City. Brashear said the dispute has resulted in a deadlock.

Sixty installers walked out at nearby Granite City, Ill., Tuesday for the same reason.

Negotiations for a new contract between Southwestern Bell and another union, the CIO Communications Workers, are under way and the union is taking a strike vote.

Both Southwestern Bell and Western Electric are subsidiaries of the American Telephone and Telegraph company.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 9 — (UP) — Police today said Leonard Humphries, Jr., 23-year-old fireman, admitted killing his young wife, and wounding Garnett Taylor, 25 last night after he returned home and found them together.

Humphries faced a police court hearing today on a murder charge. Detective John E. Wright said Mrs. Dorothy Humphries, 22, was killed instantly by a pistol slug in the head. Taylor was wounded three times in the back and chest.

Wright said the young fireman was arrested 20 minutes after the shooting and admitted the crime. Humphries told police he went home last night and found his wife and Taylor leaving the house, leaving Humphries' three-year-old daughter alone in the house.

He said he took his daughter to his nephew's home and then went out to find his wife. Police quoted him as saying he found them at a restaurant and followed them home.

Humphries' nephew, Robert Gray said he urged his uncle to call police but Humphries pulled a revolver and told him to walk away from the house.

"I'll take care of this myself," Gray quoted Humphries as saying. Gray said he heard six shots and found the bodies when he ran into the house. He summoned police who arrested Humphries at the home of his sister.

## One Killed, One Burned in Steam Bath

San Francisco, Dec. 9 — (AP) — One policeman was killed and another seriously burned in a Finnish steam bath last night.

Police said they were victims of monoxide gas.

Both members of the San Francisco force had gone to the bath after work.

Thomas Kelly, 54, was dead when the bath house manager broke in the steaming sweat room and found him face down in scalding water. Robert P. Brown, 50, was lying face up and was crying for help.

James Harmon, chief plumbing inspector for the city health department, made a test after the accident and said there was a leak in the gas heater used to make steam for the room.

Cold, Wet Over Much of the Country Today

By The Associated Press

It was cold and wet over much of the country today, with temperatures near zero or slightly below over most of Minnesota and Wisconsin and in the Northern New England states. They were below freezing in the Texas Panhandle and in Arkansas and Tennessee.

Snow fell in Eastern Washington, the Eastern Dakota, Eastern Nebraska and Western Missouri and Iowa.

Kansas and Oklahoma had freezing rain or drizzle. Rain fell in Texas.

The only areas where temperatures were near or above normal, the weather bureau said, were in the Florida, the immediate gulf coast, South Texas and the Far Southwest.

## Atomic Leak Probe Moves Into Canada

Washington, Dec. 9 — (AP) — House spy probe tracing reported uranium leaks to Russia turned their eyes toward Canada today amid indications that their inquiry may become a hot 1950 political issue.

Two investigators for the un-American activities committee were reported in Canada, where an official confirmed yesterday that 1,000 pounds of uranium compounds were shipped to Russia via coast mails, Montreal, in 1943.

Committee sources insisted that these two developments were not related, but reports persisted that the committee may renew its once-abandoned effort to obtain records of a court action in New York on the Canadian government in connection with uranium sales.

Louis J. Russell, senior committee investigator, has said the probe of the Canadian angle has been "reactivated."

Russell is one of two agents the committee sources said left for Canada Wednesday night after the committee questioned Sen. Gen. Leslie R. Groves, retired wartime head of the United States atomic bomb project.

The investigators are due to return before the committee's next session, which is scheduled for December 19, when two officials connected with the lend lease program are to be quizzed.

On that date, also, the committee may reach a final decision on Wallace's request for a hearing. Wallace made his request after Senator Comm. Fulton Lewis, Jr., named him as a source of pressure to expedite wartime atomic shipments to Russia. Wallace has denied that.

Last night Wallace objected to the committee's delay in hearing him. He told the committee the delay made the committee a party to this attempt at character assassination.

Russell told the committee last Monday that a Canadian agent supplied 1,000 pounds of uranium compounds for shipment to the Soviet Union. Later, he said, the Canadian government filed a civil action in New York against an official of the company but the court records were impounded, following settlement of the case.

Confirmation of the Canadian uranium sales, about which the committee has received previous reports, would be a big blow commercially. The Soviets, he said, did not get enough from this country during the war to make an atomic bomb.

## Local Police Capture Two Fugitives

Hope City Police, acting on a call from an alert store operator, late yesterday arrested Billy Clyde Hyatt, 18, and Robert H. Osburn, 25, who were wanted by Lonoke, Ark., Sheriff's office. Both were wanted by the sheriff's office and federal officers.

The pair, along with a third man, Patrick Uteall, escaped from the Lonoke county jail Monday night by tying up Sheriff Earl Jackson, then overpowered him when he brought them a meal. They were awaiting trial for armed robbery. Uteall was captured in less than 24 hours.

Hyatt and Osburn purchased some toilet articles in a neighborhood grocery store at Third and Washington and their actions caused the operator Mrs. Wade Wallace, to become suspicious and she called police when they left.

When officers arrived the pair had crossed the street to Brown's Service Station and were washing up in the rest room. They did not resist arrest and denied their identity. When officers confronted them with a letter found on Hyatt which was from his mother and addressed to the Lonoke County Jail, they admitted they were the fugitives.

They told officers they came to Hope on a freight train which they caught near Benton. This was confirmed when a package they had lost on the train was found by Texarkana officers.

They told of overpowering the Lonoke Sheriff and admitted holding up also in South Carolina and Florida. They said they left the Sheriff's gun in the top of the Lonoke courthouse. However, a search failed to find it.

Sheriff Jackson and Sgt. Guy Grant of the State Police took the pair in charge last night and returned them to Lonoke county jail at Little Rock due to reports now underway on the Lonoke jail.

City Police today commended Mrs. Wallace for calling when she became suspicious. If everyone acted as she did there would be less criminals at large, one city officer said.

INJURIES FATAL

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 9 — (AP) — Victor J. Henke died early today of injuries received in a gasoline explosion and fire here.

The explosion late yesterday at the West Tulsa Refinery of the Texas company injured five workmen. Henke was severely burned as he tried to stop the fire.

Company officials estimated damage at more than \$1,000,000.

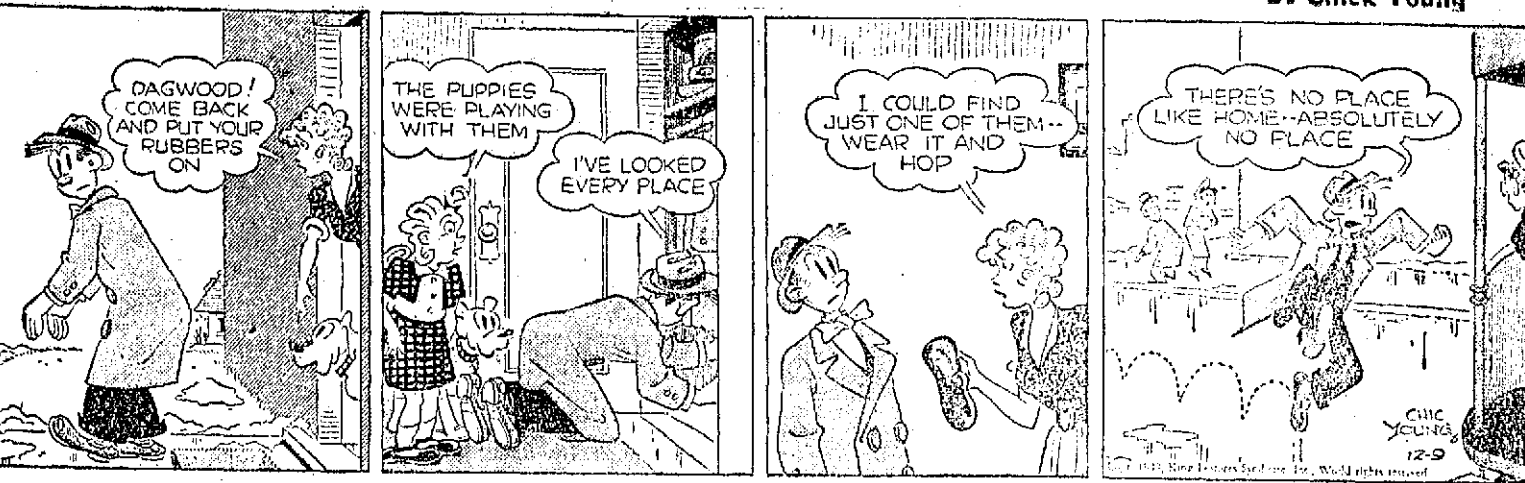






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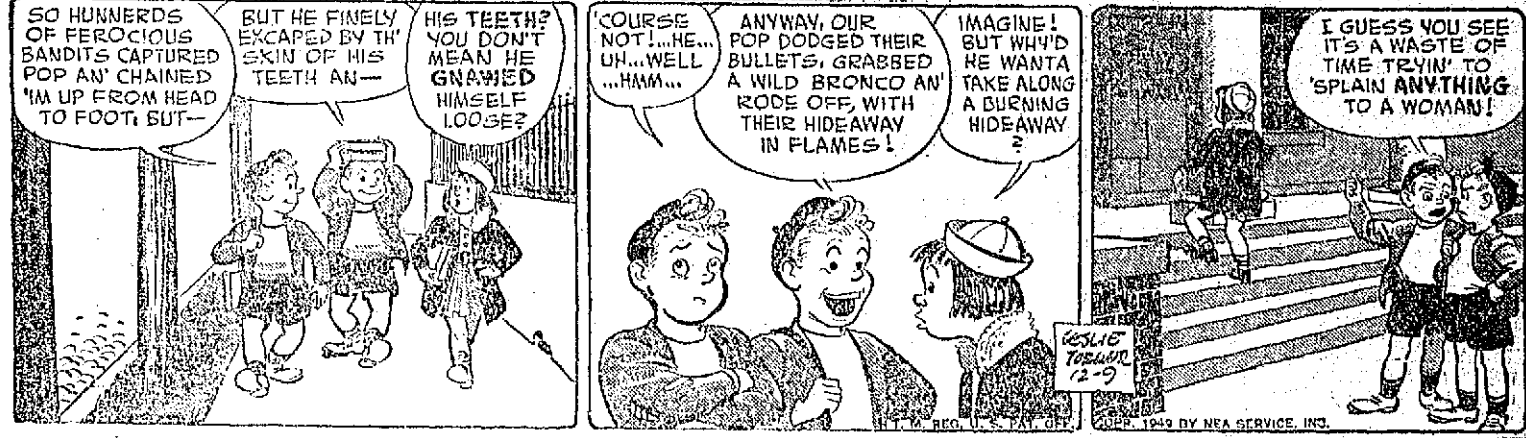
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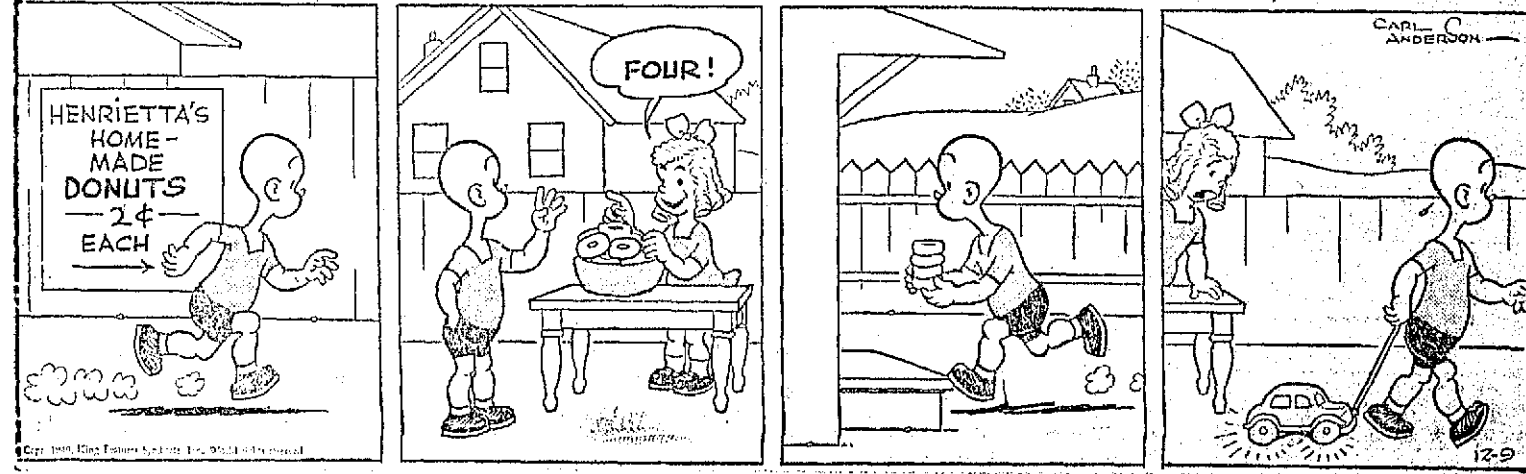
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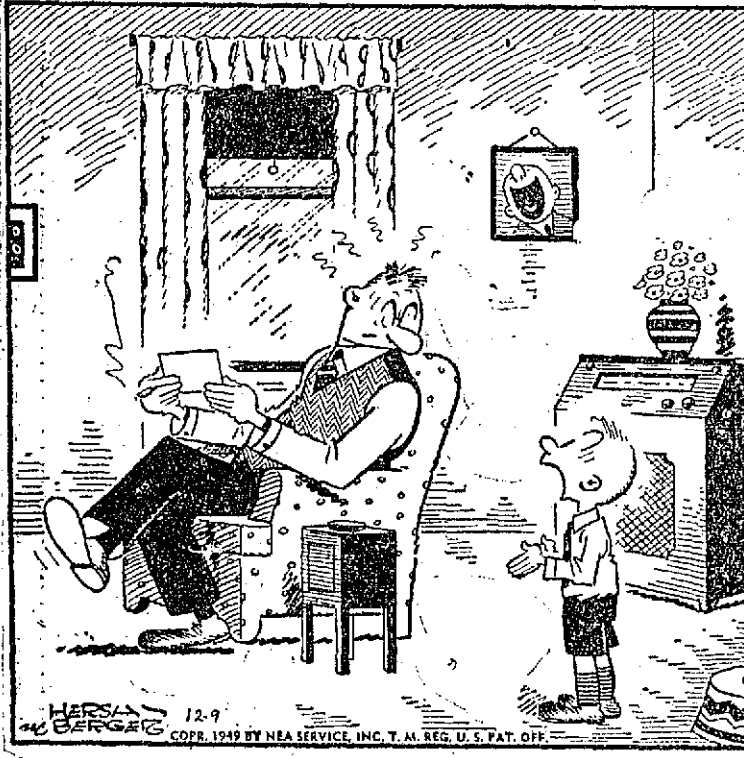
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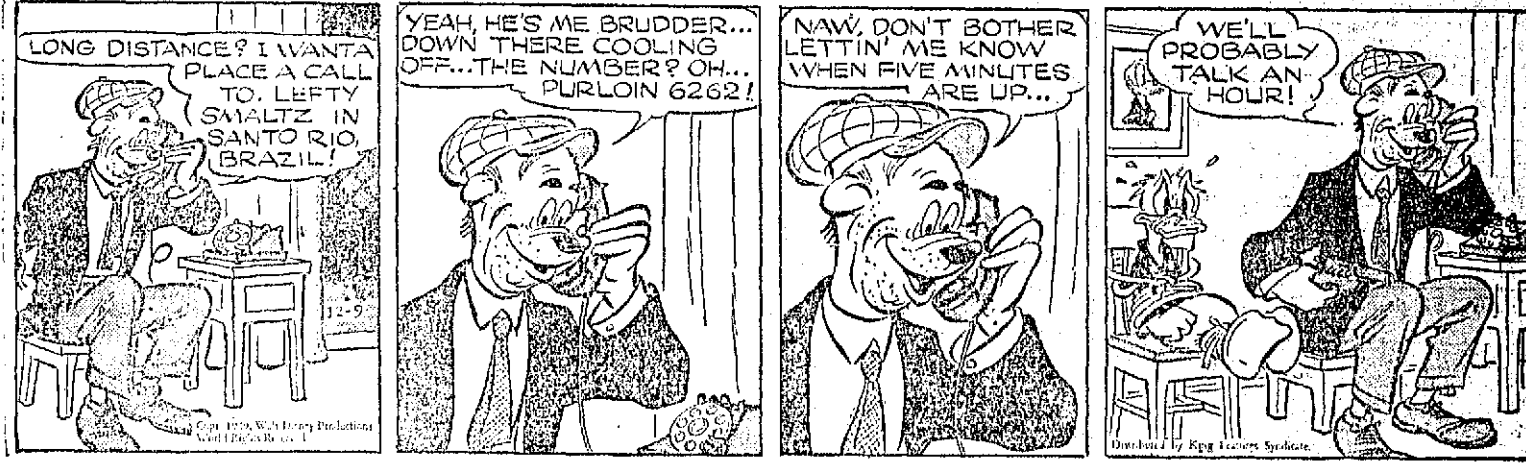
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DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



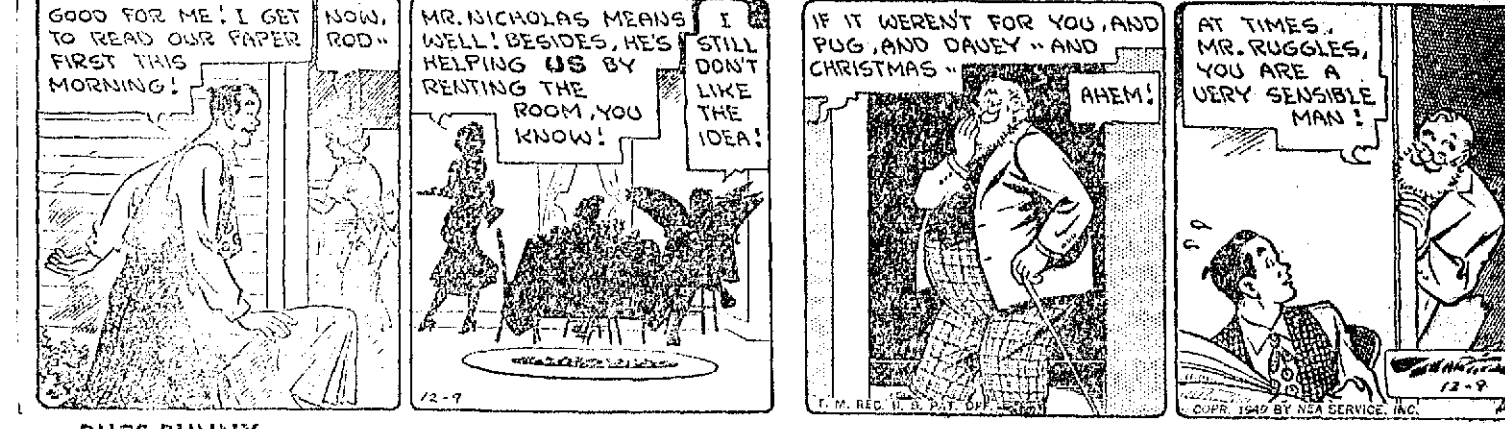
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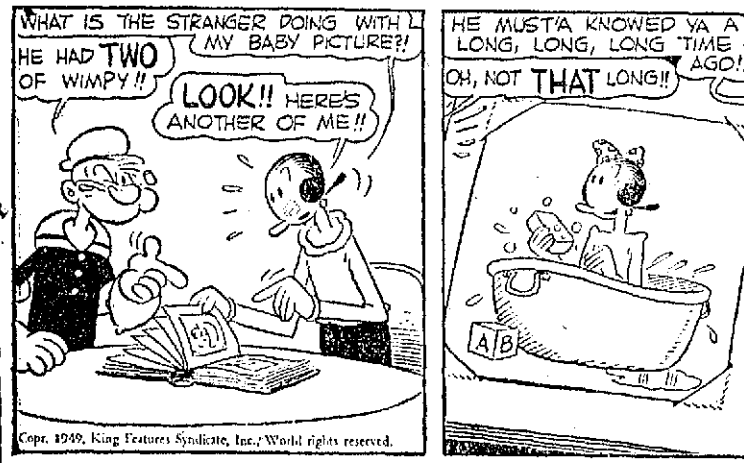
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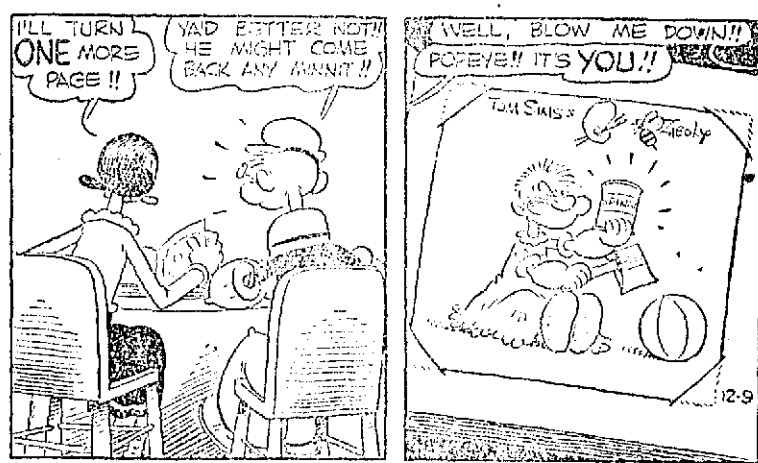
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OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



OUR BOARDING HOUSE

With Major Hoople





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21 to 25	75	1.50	3.00	7.50
26 to 30	90	1.80	3.50	9.00
31 to 35	1.05	2.10	4.00	10.50
36 to 40	1.20	2.40	4.50	12.00
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512 before 6 p.m. Cecil Martin. 2-6t.

## Fair Enough

By Westbrook Pegler

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New York, Dec. 8 — If you enjoy light reading, I think you might have fun with the amended answer of Westbrook Pegler to the complaint of Drew Pearson, who says Pegler libeled him when he called Pearson a lying blackguard last winter. It is my personal opinion that old droop was an awful dope to stick his neck out, and, although I don't enjoy their confidence and don't know why they pulled out on him, I note that Pearson's original lawyers, the fellows who filed the suit in the first place, Greenbaum, Wolf and Ernst, have withdrawn from the case. I think they were smart cookies to do that because Pegler's answer starts by calling Mr. Pearson a blackguard all over again and, from that somewhat demure and restrained love-note, really works up to a pitch.

The new lawyers are Poletti, Diamond, Freidin and MacKay, who is young Drew's lawyer. It is a sort of looked forward to a go-around with Morris Ernst, of the Greenbaum and so forth lay-out, because he was the lawyer for the newspaper guild back in the organizing days and we in a little while are going to have back and forth on the issue of communism which he held to be no issue at all but just a red herring until he presently withdrew and was succeeded by that A. J. Iserman, who is one of the lawyers for the defendants in the trial of the eleven communists in Judge Medina's court last summer and got four months in jail for talking when he should have been listening.

The Poletti and whatnot outfit are old friends, too. Charlie Poletti was the head of the under Lehman who served a few days as governor by the courtesy and, I guess you could suspect, the connivance of Lehman at the close of Lehman's term and took advantage of the opportunity to turn loose, in a word, a slew of union goons, including one who was doing a job for arson, as a favor to Sidney Hillman. Diamond, I haven't much book on. He turned up in the settlement of one of Elliott's Kaitleen Mayvans loans. Freidin and MacKay are no dice whatever to me, but the concern as a whole comes on stage for a bow in the turbulent and, to the lenders, as usually, as usual, affairs of another Roosevelt kid, Anna and her, as of then, husband, John Boettger. They represented Anna in the final willout in which Anna undercut Elliott's settlement just 50 per cent. Elliott paid two cents on the buck. Anna and John got it down to one cent.

But I was going to tell you about Pegler's defense against Droop's demand for a quarter of a million dollars or something like that. First, Mr. P. denies that Pearson was damaged "in any sum whatever."

Then, says he, "the publications complained of are... Plaintiff is a liar, a faker and blackguard. The term 'liar,' as used herein, refers not to one or more isolated misstatements of fact, whether in error or otherwise; it refers to a consistent professional practice of lying, as adopted for the fit and aggrandizement of said plaintiff and the deliberate malicious infliction of injury on others."

How do you like those apples? Here he goes again: "An inclusive catalog of plaintiff's lies and fakes must be foregone for the sake of brevity without waiver, however, in any respect, of defendant's intention to adduce proof to

yet other lies and fakes on the part of said plaintiff."

Then, a little further: "Plaintiff was completely without professional standards and wholly devoid of standing in the newspaper profession. x x x Defendants allege that said plaintiff was a faker and chronic, congenital and pathological liar and had been publicly so denounced, as was commonly known in the State of New York and other States and by many others. The plaintiff has acquired enormous power by his fantastic lies over a national hookup by reason of his access to property, to wit, broadcasting channels in the States owned by the United States."

Taking up a lying statement by the droop that Pegler had compromised a previous suit by Pearson by publishing a retraction and paying a \$15,000 settlement, Pegler continues: Plaintiff and his co-plaintiff, (John N. Wheeler) visited the offices of the employers of said defendant, Westbrook Pegler, and begged and pleaded with said employers to let them retract their action before the defendant's attorneys could serve and file their amended answer. Accordingly x x x plaintiffs were permitted to withdraw the same without payment of costs, without retraction and without further statement and without assurances of any kind. Nevertheless the plaintiff, in accord with his invariable mendacious proclivities, reported that he had received a settlement and retraction and promised that Pegler would not write about him any more.

"All such statements were fakes and lies, x x x The plaintiff feared to face the issue as to whether he was a faker, liar and blackguard and could be duly proved to be such."

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## Pritchard Plans to Play for Hogs Next Year

Fayetteville, Dec. 9 —(P)—The University of Arkansas' 1950 football prospects looked brighter today.

Veteran Halfback Ross Pritchard — a fast, elusive ball carrier and sure-fingered pass receiver — announced last night he will be back with the Hazzbacks next season.

He could graduate next spring. But a broken leg kept him from playing his final season this year, and he decided to delay acceptance of his degree so that he could complete his eligibility.

Pritchard is expected to run with the track team in the spring. He is a sprinter. And doctors say he may be able to take part in spring football drills.

## DeQueen Goes After State Title Tonight

Little Rock, Dec. 9 —(P)—Arkansas' highest scoring high school football player and four of his nearest rivals will help provide the thrills in tonight's final play-off games.

The point-maker, Billy Pickens, will lead the DeQueen Leopards against Stuttgart's Ricebirds in the Class A final at War Memorial stadium here. The fleet, hard-running Leopard back ran up 198 points during the regular season.

But he'll have two stars, instead of one, to try to outscore. Mainstays of undefeated, untied Stuttgart's backfield are Ray Hefley and Billy Newton, who have tallied 120 and 110 points, respectively.

More lads who have ponchants for points will be in action at Jonesboro, where Pocahontas and Lake Village will tangle for the Class B championship.

In Lamar, who has accounted for 133 points, the defending champion Beavers of Lake Village have a young man considered to be the best back in the state. A worthy rival is Billy Templeton of Pocahontas, with 120 points to his credit prior to the postseason playoffs.

The two games stack up fairly well as even affairs, but past performers of all points to plenty of scoring.

Like Stuttgart, Pocahontas hasn't been beaten or tied on the field of play but forfeited a game. DeQueen has lost twice and been tied once in as many scheduled games. Any Class A team played Lake Village has lost two of 12 starts.

## KRAMER WINS GAIN

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 9 —(P)—Jack Kramer added another victory over Pancho Gonzales in the Davis Cup final, winning 6-4, 6-3. Kramer now has won 23 of 28 matches in their pro tennis tour.

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## SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Hugh S. Fullerton, Jr.

New York, Dec. 9 —(P)—If Billy Southworth doesn't change his mind about refusing to sell any dissatisfied Braves, we think the Boston manager should qualify for the "most in testinal fortitude" award. . . Billy may be a stern taskmaster, because he believes a guy has to keep working hard to be a big leaguer. . . But he also learned the hard way that a manager should understand his men individually—and do his best to satisfy their whims. . . Any guys who "revolt" against that kind of deal must be really hard to handle. Did you know that Nate Dolan, one of the Cleveland Indians' new stockholders, is the gent who ran the box office at the Cleveland arena for years and used to make the ice show excursion trains with a pocket full of pastebored?

Darrell Royal, Oklahoma quarterback, pitched 76 forward passes in a row in 1948 and 1949 between interceptions.

Morale Victory

Normie West, U. of California publisher, says the one about Jones, who obviously enjoys playing defensive tackle on Pappy Waldorf's team. Late in the game against UCLA, the grinning Jones slammed his way past a Bruin line, whom he had brouched around all afternoon, and grabbed a runner. . . The UCLA guy, picking himself up painfully, told him: "I don't care how hard you hit me, but do you have to keep being kept on going to ruin my morale."

Sportsmenton

Yogi Berra, the Yanks catcher, and Freddie Hoffman, Browns coach, are steady rooters for the St. Louis Baseball Bombers. . . Pulling a sack on Adolph's head, who called Bradley the best college basketball team this year, Tulane's Cliff Wells is said to have tabbed Adolph's Kentucky sophomores as guys who'll eventually make'em Groza, a 100-pound speedster who averaged 16 yards per carry; and Santa Ana's Al (Hoagy) Carmichael, whom Cook calls "the darndest guy to break up a ball game I've had in 23 years of coaching at Santa Ana."

Rival stars appear to be Little Rock's Harold (Tiger) Waggoner, described as the nation's top scorer with 28 touchdowns and 168 points, a 100-pound speedster who averaged 16 yards per carry; and Santa Ana's Al (Hoagy) Carmichael, whom Cook calls "the darndest guy to break up a ball game I've had in 23 years of coaching at Santa Ana."

Wednesday night the Hope Legionaires take on the classmate team from Texarkana Junior college, here in Hope High gym. This promises to be a top-notch game as the college boys topped the Legion over there last week, 61 to 50.

All games will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. The Legion will feature a prominent opposing team here each Wednesday night. Games are scheduled with Texarkana Junior College, Red River Arsenal, Tomkins, North Heights of Texarkana, Hooks, Tex., and Ouachita, Henderson, and Magnolia A. & M. teams. The admission will be 40 cents for adults, and 20 cents for students.

Basketball

By The Associated Press

East

CCNY 65 Southern Methodist 53.

Kansas State 58, Long Island 57.

Seah 61, Chicago 54.

Western Ky 78 Bowling Green 70.

N. C. State 74 George Washington 62.

Midwest

Notre Dame 57 Creighton 50.

Bradley 56 Iowa State 48.

Oregon State 49 Wisconsin 30.

Oklahoma City 49 Emporia (Kas) 47 (two overtimes).

Tulsa 40 Southwestern (Kas) 26.

St. Bonedict's (Kas) 72 Warrensburg (Mo) 60.

Western Colorado 49 Bethany (Ias) 48.

(Kas) 43.

Northwestern Okla 44 Friends (Kas) 32.

Pittsburgh (Kas) 105 Tarkio 22.

Maryville (Mo) 58 Baker (Kas) 41.

Texas Christian 65 Abilene Southwest

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Baylor 58 Texas Tech 37.

Southwestern Okla 53 St. Marys (Tex) 41.

Far West

San Francisco 70 Nevada 51.

Utah State 46 Utah State 46.

Denver 60 Utah State 39.

Brigham Young 53 Regis 37.

Wyoming 49 Colorado A&M 42.

Phillips Oilers 50 Idaho 39.

Needing 45 assenting votes of the 59 leagues, or three-fourths, the proposal to repeal the rule got only 32 "yes" votes. There were 18 "no" votes and one league abstained. As a result, the bonus rule is here to stay at least for another year.

Among the higher priced players "frozen" in the